INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

interns upplication No PC 02/13994

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER IPC 7 H04L12/28

45)

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)} \\ \mbox{IPC 7} & \mbox{H04L} \end{array}$

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal

	INTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT	
Category °	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Χ	WO 02 061588 A (3COM CORP ;MARCHEVSKY BRUNO P (US)) 8 August 2002 (2002-08-08)	1-14, 19-21
Y	figure 1 page 7, line 23-25 page 8, line 1-20 page 10, line 3-8 page 11, line 11-21 page 12, line 10-25 page 13, line 5-19 page 22, line 1-11 page 28, line 18-24 page 32, line 22-24	15-18
	-/	

Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.	X Patent family members are listed in annex.		
° Special categories of cited documents :	*T* later document published after the international filling date		
"A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance	or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the invention		
"E" earlier document but published on or after the International filing date	"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to		
L document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified)	involve an Inventive step when the document is taken alone "Y" document of particular relevance; the claimsed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such docu- ments, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art.		
 O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other means 			
"P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed	"&" document member of the same patent family		
Date of the actual completion of the international search	Date of mailing of the international search report		
7 August 2003	19/08/2003		
Name and mailing address of the ISA	Authorized officer		
European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2 NL – 2280 HV Rijswijk Tel. (+31–70) 340–2040, Tx. 31 651 epo nl, Fax: (+31–70) 340–3016	Mircescu, A		

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

interna pilication No
PC 02/13994

		PC 02	/13994
C.(Continu	ation) DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category °	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages		Relevant to claim No.
Υ	US 6 362 745 B1 (DAVIS GLENN A) 26 March 2002 (2002-03-26) column 1, line 20-27 column 2, line 50-54 column 3, line 65-67 column 4, line 1-25 column 6, line 23-34		15,16
Y	US 6 189 106 B1 (ANDERSON GLEN J) 13 February 2001 (2001-02-13) column 1, line 61-67 column 2, line 1-30 column 5, line 40-67 column 6, line 1-38		17,18
A	WO 01 86914 A (FISCHER MATTHEW J ; BROADCOM CORP (US); LUCAS BOB (US); RABENKO THE) 15 November 2001 (2001-11-15) figures 1,2 page 3, line 28-36 page 4, line 1-15 page 7, line 10-21 page 9, line 4-14		1-21

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

informer on patent family members

	Internal	pplication No	
	PC	02/13994	
_			

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date		Patent family member(s)		Publication date
WO 02061588	Α .	08-08-2002	US WO	6572384 B 02061588 A		03-06-2003 08-08-2002
US 6362745	B1	26-03-2002	บร บร	6118269 A 5898387 A		12-09-2000 27-04-1999
US 6189106	B1	13-02-2001	NONE			
WO 0186914	A	15-11-2001	AU EP WO US	5967401 A 1281264 A 0186914 A 2002006137 A	N2 N2	20-11-2001 05-02-2003 15-11-2001 17-01-2002